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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated **August 11, 2009**, and is submitted on or before the extended due date of **January 11, 2009**. A constructive Petition under 1.136(a)(3) for a two-month extension of time and the requisite fee of \$245.00 under 1.17(a)(1) are enclosed herewith. The Examiner is requested to enter the amendments and reconsider the application.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing docket number 03678.0207.PCUS02.